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"Unclean! Unclean!"

THE personality of Woodrow Wilson has powerfully impressed the country. His obvious sincerity of purpose and his clear moral vision have given him strength out of all proportion to the peculiar economic theories he espouses. Fut to one side the business of the country, and he has measured up in a remarkable degree to the political ideals of the nation. He is at once the leader and the impatus of the Democratic party, which has followed him wherever he led without regard to traditional principles or historic purpose.

The glamour of the President's morality makes it impossible for any party to defeat him unless it enters the arena with hands as clean as his. His economic theories, if weighed on an even scale with Republican principles, would be utterly repudiated by the national electorate. But Pennsylvania is asked to manhandle Republicanism, to tle it up with a cause that is utterly discredited. to retain in its leadership a man whose name is "used to frighten children with" in many parts of the Union. "Unclean!" Unclean!" That is the answer to men who insist that the country can be fooled into accepting Penroseism in national affairs. It would be just as sensible to ask the nation to send the plague to Washington.

Stockholders for Rapid Transit

THE greatest corporation in this commu-I nity is the municipal corporation. In it every citizen is a stockholder. Whatever the stockholders of the Union Traction Company, through their directorate, decide to do-and they are well within their rights to do or not do whatever they please-the stockholders in the municipal corporation are overwhelmingly for rapid transit. They have at their command an incomparable credit. They are able through their own patronage to assure the financial success of the project. They, at least, are willing to dedicate their assets to the great program. The obstructionists are almost to Gettysburg.

Golden Days of Opportunity

HOME have come the vacationists, the senshore harvest has been reaped, playtime is past, the thousands who laid down daily tasks to relieve mind and body are again in the to set daily occupation. The tvy on walls is touched with red, the trees have taken their fringes of gold, while the late corn, the pumpkin and the grape alone remain to be gathered-the very air breathes With bodies invigorated by rest seasons,

with minds alert, with spirits afresh, let us approach this unborn future with a determination of service. To all it is not given to grapple with mighty problems of the day; to all it is not given to move in high spheres, to mold public opinion, to shape the destiny of our fellows; but to all is given the opportunity to work for self-service, to the consecration of ideals, to the fulfillment of desires. This is the time for a reconsecration to definite purposes.

He who labors with hands often wearies of injustice, of prejudice, of class hatred; he who gains a livelihood behind a counter feels the sting of station, he who labors at thankless tasks longs for better days, for higher wages, for more appreciation of his efforts. Envy for the rich, the powerful, the better educated, the fortunate, is in many hearts. The longing for another life is universal. Surely that God-given consciousness of selfunworthiness, of dissatisfaction with conditions, is never more awakened than at this time of the year.

So let us awake to the opportunity with a full realization that "fate" and "luck" and "good fortune" come alone to those who continually strive; that increased wages, betterment of condition and a fuller life are but the rewards of honest labor, intelligent application and sincerity of purpose. This surely is the moment for thoughtful consideration of the future, and for all, the lowly, the mediocre and the great, to cleach flats, apply brains and buckla down to the work which alone gives the rewards so fondly desired.

Goethe caught the spirit of the fall time when he wrote:

Are you in earness?

Seize this very minute. What you can do or dream you can. Begin it.

Boldness has guille, power and magic to it. Only engage and then the mind grows housed. Begin and then the work will be completed.

A Truce for Three Years

COVERNMENT by personality is some-I thing that we can never get away from in this country. It is legitimate and inevitable, but it is not by any means sufficient for the purposes and requirements of democratic self-government

The striking miners of Colorado have yound to accept President Wilson's proposal for a three-year truce. It was reasonable and patriotic action, and should be followed by similar action on the part of the mine owners. Mere peace is not, of course, a solution of the problems which underlie the situation in Colorado, but those problems can never be solved and settled while both sides are at swords' points. A truce will gradually

lead the way to calmer judgment. Without President Wilson's interposition. apparently, the turnoil and chaos would have continued indefinitely. The fact that is plainest is the fact that the constitutional and democratic resources of Colorado have proved inadequate to their task. So far as the issues involved in the history of the strike are concerned, President Wilson's personal force and influence will govern Colorado until the strike is settled. It is not settled yet, and will not be settled till reason and justice prevail. The truce gives all parties time for sober second thought. It gives Colorado another opportunity to prove its capacity for self-government.

What's the Use?

THE rehabilitation of the Republican party Lis essential to the prosperity of the nation. It cannot be rehabilitated in one State: it must be rehabilitated in many States. It cannot be rehabilitated at all until the sore spots on it are cured. Convalescence assumes eradication of disease.

No, it is Penroseism that has given the country a free-trade tariff. That tariff will be perpetuated if Mr. Penrose is indorsed in November. This is so open and obvious a proposition that politicians in Pennsylvania are the only ones who do not understand it. The way to get a protective tariff is to get a Republican President and a Republican Congress. Mr. Penrose cannot get it. His influence in Washington has dwindled to such an extent that it is scarcely known whether he is in fown or out of town. Even Republicans who are close to him are careful not to let their constituences know it. What's the use of having a Senator who must be apologized for in and out of season?

Mexicans Entitled to Govern Themselves

THE only excuse for keeping American troops at Vera Cruz now would be the intention to keep them there for all time. Mexico is as quiet as it is likely to be for many months. There is a minimum of revolution. The Constitutionalist armies are amply strong enough to stamp out insurrection. The Provisional Government when it took charge of the City of Mexico, confounded its critics by preventing all pillage and outrage. In fact, considering the peculiar circumstances under which the armies were recruited and the course pursued by them in the early stages of the conflict, their restraint was remarkable. The Mexicans are entitled to another chance to prove that they can govern themselves.

Not Blue But Sane Laws

F THOSE interested in innocent Sunday I amusements for the masses will present rational arguments to the next Legislature that body may consider the repeal of antiquated blue laws. The great mass of the public, men, women and children, who have not the means to go to the shore or country in summer, should have the legal right to quiet amusements on the one day avail-

The Christian religion is the religion of uplift, of happiness in this world, in preparation for the next. Let there be a sane revision of the blue laws of more than a century ago-statutes outworn, outlived and perchance outcivilized.

A Strong Pull Together for the Port.

THE decision of the majority in Washington to keep the "pork" in the Rivers and Harbors appropriation bill and excise appropriations for such obviously necessary work as the Delaware channel emphasizes the blunder of depending too much on the National Government for assistance. Improvement of the approaches from the sea is fundamentally the business of the United States, but there is a very big opportunity for Pennsylvania and Philadelphia to co-operate on their own account in putting this port on a parity with any other in the world. Nature has been prodigal enough, although requiring a little coaxing. It is altogether probable that the next Legislature will take up the matter in earnest. Philadelphia harbor is one of the State's biggest assets. It should be treated and developed on this theory. The Delaware is the highway from Pennsylvania the world. Both it and the harbor must be accommodated to the requirements of shipping, no matter what those requirements

A Good Pilot to Drop

M AINE has sounded the warning. The Republican party must clear for action. clean the debris from the decks, sweep overboard Penroseism, Barnesism, Lorimerism and all the other "Isms" which have fastened themselves on the quarterdeck. A pilot who can only run the craft into an iceberg is a very good pilot to drop.

Emergency Patriotism

frite old idea of party government has been I given a severe jolt by the war. England furnishes a case in point. It is worth considering, even after the smoke of battle has cleared away and peace or armed neutrality

Readers of British political news before the war broke out remember how it was predicted daily that the Asquith Ministry was somed. The Ulster army revolt seemed the last straw, but when real war came and involved the Empire, partisan lines vanished; a party Government became the National Government by unanimous consent, in fact as well as in name, and Lord Kitchener, a thorough going Tory, sits in the Liberal

abinet and conducts its War Department. Of course, the war precipitated an unusual crisis and called forth emergency measures of heroic national patriotism. It put a strain upon all the links in the chain of national integraty. One result has been to subject the theory of purely partishn civil government to an acid test, which shows it not to be an

absolute necessity If the war shall teach Europe this lesson, It may be that the world will discover a new method in the science of efficient government. Proved by a crucial test to be necessary in war time, why should this new tusthed be less desirable in the piping times of neare?

Beigium also is fighting for home rule.

Sir Lonel Carden will soon talk himself

out of the diplomatic class. The German colors are being driven out of France, but American dry goods manufac-

turers can't get enough of them. Sanator La Follette is said to have "presiderittal plans," but there are some who doubt whether he has the specifications

That youth of ancient days who fired the temple of Ephenus had nothing on the Servian boy who fired a gun at the Austrian Grand Duke and Duchess.

The report that the German retreat was awkward and disorderly is not surprising. They had not been having much experience in that particular maneuver

Some proces has been aroused in Brooklyn by the action of a Magistrate there whose sentences against reckless automobilists are said to be too severe. But is such a thing possible?

PASSED BY THE CENSOR

WHAT constitutes a successful play?"
asked David Belasco in reply to a question. And then the little wizard of the American stage-the greatest producer in captivity-delivered an hour's discourse on a subject in which he is concededly a past

master. "The success of a play is due to its love story, its stage pictures and its underlying theme. Take 75 per cent, stage pictures, a plot and a good love theme and success is assured," said Belasco, and then he added: "Anybody can write some sort of a play, but it takes a genius to sell one."

Some ten years ago last summer there came word across the wires that the General Slocum had burned in the East River and that 1000 human beings, the vast majority women and children, had lost their lives. On the staff of a Philadelphia paper was a young reporter who had given indications of ability in the line of descriptive writing, and he was rushed to New York to

limn a pen picture of the horror as he saw it. At 8 o'clock that night he returned, went to the office of the managing editor and sat down and-cried. Completely unnerved, he could not write a line and so an unemotional copy reader wrote the pen picture. Since then, the former cub reporter has blossomed out until now the world of readers knows him as Reginald Wright Kauffman, whose income from the moving picture rights of "The House of Bondage" runs into hundreds a week

ONLY those familiar with newspaper work can conceive what a night like that of the Slocum disaster or the Titanic tragedy means. Real newspapermen do not get excited, no matter what the provocation. A few hurried orders to reporters and photographers-a brief wire to a correspondentan order on the cashier for necessary funds and, apparently, the thing is done. But the collecting of a great news story-one, two or three pages-is not accomplished in an hour or a day. The foundation has been laid months and years before in the upbuilding of an organization. The managing editor, the news editor, the city editor know their men-they need simply start the machine going.

Take the Titanic disaster as an example. For fully 45 hours the newspapers had known intuitively that something was wrong with the ship-that news had been suppressed. But what?

Then came the bare outline of tragedyhints of awful things as yet untold-whispers of appalling loss of life. The machinery was put to work-the wires clicked-the typewriters buzzed-the story was printed and the world shuddered!

And yet, simple as this seems, there were stretches of 48 hours when newspapermen stuck to their desks-when wearied eyes and strained nerves were on the point of capitulation. Still, it was all in the day's work and as such, done!

FRANCIS B. REEVES, of the Girard Naby and, as a matter of course, made a flying trip to the estate of Leo Tolstoy-altruist, materialist, dreamer-the bete noir of the Russian reactionaries. The free American and the free Russian struck up a friendship and discussed themes nearest their respective hearts. Then came the day of parting. Tolstoy asked the banker to defer his departure. "In America," explained Mr. Reeves, "time

is money. "What a low value you put on your time,"

retorted Tolstoy. EVEN as our own Liberty Bell is cracked. famous Roelandt bell in Ghent, next to its prototype in the Kremlin, Moscow, the most noted of European bells. Roelandt is the oldest bell in Belgium, having been cast in 1314, and forms one of 44 chimes. On its face it bears the following inscription in

'My name is Roelandt: when I toll, there s a fire; when I peal, there is a victory in Flanders."

Flemish:

When the Duc d'Alva proposed to Charles V that he should destroy the city, the sovereign took him atop the belfry and, pointing to Roelandt, asked:

"Comblen faudrait-li de peaux d'Espagno pour faire un Gant de cette grandeur?" (How many Spanish skins are needed to make a glove of this size?)

The phrase was a play on words, Gand being the French for Ghent and being pronounced as his gant (glove).

APHILADELPHIAN, traveling through the South, came upon one of the largest manufactories of smoking tobacco in the world. Impelled by curlosity he visited the place. At the railroad siding stood a freight car. Curiosity again caused investigation. The freight car was loaded to the brim

with-alfalfa! And not so long ago a freight car, filled with peanut shells, was wrecked in West Virginia. The bill of lading showed that it was consigned to a Western breakfast food

MAORI was arraigned in a police court Ain the Antipodes the other day-about five weeks ago, according to the date of the information. Through his left ear was stuck a black stick, looking like a slate pencil. "What is that in your ear?" asked the

magistrate. "Dynamite," responded the black. They led him gently and gingerly into the court yard and separated him from the explosive. Which shows that even on the other side of the world the "safety first" campaign has

made headway.

The Dum-dum Myth

BRADFORD.

From the Boston Herald. 'The Kulser's charge that both France and England have been using dum-dum bullets is merciv an echo of a similar accusation against the Germans made at the outset of the war by the French. Both charges are surely unfounded. They grow out of the hysteria and vilideation which are among war's lesser by-products. No one seriously believes that any of the compatant nations are officially and de-illocately engaged in violating those principles which have given modern warfare the pare-doxi-cal qualification of "civilized."

CURIOSITY SHOP

Accop's fable about the youth who cried "wolf" until no one believed him is based upon the silence of the Amyclaeans. So often had the inhabitants of Amyclaea been alarmed by the rumors that the Spartans were coming that they made a decree that no one should ever again mention the matter. When the Spartans actually came no one "mentioned the matter," and so the city was captured.

In June, 1829, the schooner L'Amistad sailed from Havana for Principe with a large number of slaves who had been kidnapped from Africa. En route, the blacks rose and killed all save two of the white crow. The latter steered the yeasel north, instead of to the African coast as directed, and the schooner was eventually

seized by Lieutenant Gedney, of the United States brig Washington, and taken to New London. The Spanish Minister demanded the delivery of the slaves, so they might be taken

to Cuba for trial. President Van Buren was anxious to comply, for the sake of comity, but the Anti-Slavery Society obtained counsel and the United States District Court decided that even under Spanish law slave trade was illegal and that the

negroes were free men The Circuit Court affirmed this decision, and in March, 1841, the Supreme Court followed suit. In this tribunal, John Quincy Adams espoused the cause of the slaves without remuneration. They were sent back to Africa in an American years. in an American vessel.

The "Appeal to Battle," by which a man might fight with his accuser, remained on the statute books of England until 1819.

IN A SPIRIT OF HUMOR

Circular Evolution

'Jim''-errand boy.

street -St. Louis Mirror.

"Jim"-errand boy.
"James"-office boy.
"Brown"-clerk.
"Mr. Brown"-head clerk.
"Brown"-junior member of the firm.
"James"-son-in-law of head of firm.
"Jim"-head of the firm and power on the

A Fine Poem It's tough to dock a Congressman

For work he hasn't done. It isn't any fun. If we taxed all our Congressmen

A lot would get into our debt -Louisville Courier-Journal.

For work, they didn't de

Too Persuasive "But how did he happen to get engaged to the girl if he doesn't love her?"
"Why, he says he was convincing when he merely meant to be plausible."-Judge.

Superfluous

"Will I get everything I pray for, mamma?" Mother (cautiously): "Everything that's good for you, dear." Marjorie (disgustedly): "Oh, what's the use. then; I get that, anyway."-Life.

The Minister-and Others "Our minister," said Mrs. Oldcastic, "appears to be a real altruist."
"Oh, I think you must be mistaken," replied Mrs. Gottalotte. "It seems to me by the sound of his voice that he must be a bass."—Judge.

The Retort Juvenile

Mamma-Johnny, see that you give Ethel the lion's share of that orange. Johnny-Yes'm.

Ethel-Mamma, he hasn't given me any, Johnny-Well, that's all right. Lions don't eat oranges,-Kansas City Times.

A Sharp Lad

"What do you expect to be when you grow up. little boy?

"A man."
"Very good; very good. And what sort of a man? "One that isn't always asking questions."-Detroit Free Press.

\$60

Somebody is with the Boston Transcript, as you will notice from the following pair of quo-Hub-I've given up drinking, smoking and

golf to please you, still you're not satisfied. Now what else do you want me to give up? Wife—Well, you might give up \$69. I need a new gown.—Boston Transcript. Mudge-Here's a man figured out that if all

the moncy in the world were divided equally each adult would get about \$39. Meek—He's wrong. My wife would get \$60.— Boston Transcript.

The Sword and the Censor It is remarked by the Boston Transcript that the blue pencil is mightler than the A Kicking Bee

While kicking a mule for kicking another mule. Worn Holloway was severely kicked by his father's mule, which he was correcting. Had he not received the kick on the

arm, no doubt he would have been more severely hart.—Prescott (Ark.) Ne Our office mathematician has it figured out that If all the war strategists who neve

saw Europe, never read a book of military tactics, never even pulled a trigger, were chloroformed and laid end to end (as we often wish they might be), they would for a line long enough to girdle the earth times at the Equator,-St. Louis Post-Dis-

Equality of Sex

There is a little girl in Springfield, Mass., tion that the feminine mind is not so strong as

One day her mother remarked on the apparent lack of intelligence in a hen.
"You can't teach a hen anything," she said. "They have done more harm to the garden than a drove of cattle would. You can teach cat, a dog or a pig something, but a hen-"H'm!" exclaimed the child, indignantly, "I

think they know as much as the roosters!" Youth's Companion.

"The Battle of the Ballots"

The conflict in Maine is described as follows by the New York World: The battle in Maine appears to have been a great strategic victory. The army of the Crown Prince of the Progressives, which occupied the extreme left of the line, was forced back mean the Roosevelt fortifications, and the first, second, third, fourth and fifth armies of the old Nelson Pingley standpatters, pivoting upon Portland in an attempt to effect a turning movement, were out in two and put to rout. In spite of the censorship, enough is known to make it clear that the road to a Woodrow Wilson majority in the Sixty-fourth Coheress is son majority in the Sixty-fourth Congress is open, with nothing likely to interfere except a few standpart seroplares and an occasional secuting party of Bull-Moose unians.

Forgotten

When the drums begin to rattle and the legions clash in battle,

Where is Wied?

When the cannon do their roaring, and the airships high are souring, Where is Wied, Willie Wied? he seek an hour of quiet, free from wrangle and from riot?

Where is Wied?

Is he somewhere idly fretting 'cause he had to stop Moretting?

Where is Wied, Willie Wied?

-Cleveland Plain Dealer,

THE IMPERIAL COUSINS hand has set Europe's great vineyard

affame? Who was it laid fire to her rick? Who trampled her fields in pursuing their game?

Why? Willy and Georgie and Nick!

Who changed into beasts all her peace-loving And taught them to maim and to kill? Who gave them as food to the cannibal guns? Why! Nicky and Georgie and Will!

Whose pathway is strewn with filre ruln and waste? Who the vultures with carrion gorge? What vandals have Art and fair Nature de-

Why! Willy and Nicky and George!

How long shall this militant sport be endured? How long ere is snuffed out the wick Of Moloch's fell torch, and our peace be as-

From Georgie and Willy and Nick? -N. W. in the New York Times.

DONE IN PHILADELPHIA

FEW readers were worried when they read a few weeks ago that a strange sect, holding a camp meeting in West Philadelphia, had announced that the world was coming to an end on the 29th or the 30th of the present month. No excitement followed this weird proclamation, but what a difference there was in Philadelphia, in 1844, when the Miller-

ites were aroused by a similar belief! It was just such strange prophecies which the educated regarded with indifference that made life worth living 70 years ago. People then were thirsting for excitement of any kind, and they welcomed Miller's prediction as a break in the monotony of life.

The story of the Millerites and their belief is that of one of those popular delusions which seem to have made their appearance in every age. The present generation does not have to be reminded of Dowle, whose ideas, while not quite so weird, still were sufficiently different to arouse general interest. In the past there was a number of delusions that took the public by storm and held them until the true character of the belief became apparent. The tulips that we can buy today for a few cents once were sold for fortunes in Holland during the rage of the tulip mania. You see, these delusions are not always of a religious character. The tulip mania was purely speculative and had been nursed to perfection by unscrupulous manipulators.

But this is wandering from my subject. I wanted to say something about William Miller and his delusion that sent dozens of weak-minded persons insane, and in some

localities ruined numerous persons. Miller was born in Massachusetts, but he was a resident of Low Hampton, in the northeastern part of New York, when he announced his calculation of the date of the second coming of Christ. While a young man he had confessed himself an atheist. He had served as a captain of infantry in the United States army in the War of 1812, and it was not until long after that conflict. or in 1818, that he suddenly became religious.

Then he began to study the Bible, but he also began to calculate the time when Christ was to appear on earth again, and finally be declared that he had overcome all difficulties and had reached the conclusion that the date would be in the spring of the year 1843. Of course, a great deal of this got into

printed form, and soon he had convinced numerous persons who were willing followers. The delusion spread rapidly, but, of course, had its greatest vogue when the time Miller had set approached.

Miller's theory of the second Advent was founded upon his interpretation of the real meaning of the terms days, weeks and years in the Old Testament. I will not attempt to bore anybody by repeating his interpretations, and there would not be sufficient space here to do it. But I can assure any incredulous reader that it was much like Ignatius Donnelly's famous cryptogram in Shakespeare in one respect: you could not find the answer even after you had the rule to find it. No one ever could work out Donnelly's cryptogram, and, perhaps, as he was a very bright man, he did not intend they should.

The first date set for the second Advent by Miller was April 14, 1843. The disciples awaited the day with "deepest solicitude," but when it arrived nothing happened. But they were not discouraged. They were assured that ancient chronology was not thoroughly understood and that a few months more or less might clapse before the welcome day arrived.

In the meantime, Miller had a stone wall built on his farm and there was a good deal of talk about it. Some prying ones d tired to know what he intended to do with a stone wall if he was so soon to leave this world. It also was charged that Miller had refused to sell his form; and the newspapers were asking him pointedly what he needed a farm for. They also took one of his disciples, J. V. Himes, of Washington, to task because he was engaged in publishing and selling "more than 5,000,000 books and papers." They added by way of comment that "He must be engaged in a speculation," and thereupon scouted the truthfulness of the

prophecy. But, as in the case of all delusions, Miller had followers in many parts of the Eastern United States. They were pretty well represented in Philadelphia. When the first date had failed Miller promptly referred to the occasional failures of even Biblical prophets. and announced that very probably his calculations had been wrong. He then asserted that on October 22, 1844, the second Advent would occur.

This statement was made very positively, and the Adventists became very deeply interested. As the time approached some of the followers gave away their property. Storekeepers disposed of their stocks to whoever desired them for nothing. In one section of the country as many as 15 persons became insane. Some of them were not even followers of Miller, but were afraid that he might speak the truth-

When the day arrived the Philadelphia followers of Miller went to Darby, where they awaited the end of the world. There were more than a thousand of them, and they began to pray and sing.

But it rained. They were very distressed, and when they found the day was not the day, they waited till the morrow. Then there was more rain, and the majority of the Millerites plodded their weary way back to the city along the Darby road. A few were willing to give Miller another 24 hours of grace, but they, too, found his calculations were inaccurate.

When the excitement was at its height. there were advertisements in the daily newspapers of "ascension robes," and one store had a placard in its window to inform passers-by that "muslin for ascension robes" was sold there. There is none of this kind of excitement

now. Few persons have even remembered that the enthusiasts who held what they called an "apostolic camp meeting" last month in West Philadelphia and who are rather irrevently referred to as the "Holy Rollers." have decided that the world is to come to an end within the next two weeks.

GRANVILLE.

THE IDEALIST

Wise was the man who said, "A punishment that degrades the punished will degrade the man who inflicts it."

Here is a little story about a man who is the figure of power in a little church not far from our city. You know the kind of man I from our city. You know the kind of man I mean Some men, by very reason of their dominating personalities rather than their executive ability, naturally gravitate to positions where those about them look up to them

One evening this man passed a young member young man was the organist, and in receipt of a modest salary for his services. He was smok.

ing a cigar.

Forthwith the elder man grew angry. He die not smoke, did not believe in emoking and failed to understand how any one else could believe in it. At his direction, a meeting of the trustees of the church was immediately called, and the organist was dismissed from its

Naturally, the young fellow launched into a tirade against churches and against everybody in them. Which, of course, was all wrong

in them. Which, of course, was all wrong. But how about the self-claimed Christianity of this church leader?

this church leader?
Suppose he had gone to the young man in a
fatherly way and put the proposition in this
fashion: "Now, my boy, one of us is wrong
about this matter of smoking. Let us talk it over and find out which of us is wrong. Perhaps no agreement would have been

reached. Perhaps the young man would have left his position simply because the elder man had convinced him that his example was not a good one to place before the younger boys. But the "leader" chose to perform an un-christian act; one quite incompatible with the counder's idea of uplifting service. He degraded the young man before the other members of

Doean't your conception of real Christian service make you believe that he degraded

THE IDEALIST.

OPPOSED TO DOCTOR BRUMBAUGH

To the Editor of the Evening Ledger: Sir-Your support of Doctor Brumbaugh and not of Senator Penrose is very mystifying to me, if not to many other voters throughout the State. I will grant, as you say, that Doctor Brumbaugh is both fearless and honest, but Brumbaugh is both test to should a Penrose Leg-islature be elected? In what way can Doctor Brumbaugh be of any service to the people is Pennsylvania are so eagerly waiting for? True, he platform that Doctor Brumbaugh was nom. nated on pledges to us all these reforms, but have not all Republican platforms which were launched by Penrose and his lieutenants done the same thing?

Has not Doctor Brumbaugh been the head of the Philadelphia schools for a great many years? Has any one in these many years ever heard of him in any way urging any forms which his platform now offers to the

THOMAS HURLEY. Philadelphia, September 16, 1914,

PRAISES TRANSIT EDITORIAL

To the Editor of the Evening Ledger: Sir-I want to take advantage of your open column for letters from the people to say a commendatory word about your editorial in to-night's issue on the transit situation. Philadelplifa is a great big rich city, and if anybody or any corporation expects to keep us taxpayers from getting what we need there will have to be another guess. That's my guess and that of most Philadelphians. Keep up your good work

along this line,
I am glad to see a paper with two "front" pages so that one of them can be devoted to local news. Maybe that idea has been applied to newspapers before, but not to my knowledge, Anyway, it is a good one, and shows hom im-portant you consider the matters pertaining to T. B. HILDRETH

Philadelphia, September 16, 1914, OBJECTS TO COMIC PICTURES

To the Editor of the Evening Ledger: Permit me to congratulate the Evening Ledger, not only for what it represents, but for the omission of the alleged comic pictures, which, to my mind, are an insult to the intel

ligent reading public.

For years we have been afflicted with the antics of impossible "kids," with the buffoonery of still more impossible beings, apparently mea. Comic (?) artists have inflicted upon a longsuffering public atrocities of pen and ink And now, at last, we have a paper which ap-peals to the intellect rather than to the evidently atrophied sense of more or less humor Thank you, and for goodness sake, don't re-lapse into humorous barbarism. We are willing to stand for a reversion to type-but not comica

R. J. MURPHY. Philadelphia, September 16, 1914.

A WORD FOR ELLEN ADAIR To the Editor of the Evening Ledger: Sir-May I add a line of appreciation for the excellent showing your paper has made during the first three days of its existence? I have been more than pleased with the articles of Ellen Adair. There is a tone of sincerity and truth about her writing which is frequently lacking in the conventional articles often found on a woman's page. I hope she will continue to write her experiences.
Philadelphia, September 16, 1914. READER.

PRAISE FOR WHOLESOME HUMOR

To the Editor of the Evening Ledger: LEDGER for 20 years. You have my congratulaons and best wishes for the success of the Evening Ledger. I have been particularly imessed with the high-class and wholesome. humor which is found on your editorial page One of the curses of the average evening paper is the presence of slap-stick humor. Why don't you secure the services of a good cartoonist?

Melrose Park, Pa., September 16, 1914. NOW EVENING LEDGER READER

To the Editor of the Evening Ledger: Sir-Just a good wish from an old reader of the Public Lunger. If you maintain the same standard which you have set for the past three days I am sure that the people of this city will appreciate the service you render the com-

Praise From Up-State From the Carlisle (Pa.) Evening Herald.

Norristown, Pa., September 16, 1914.

The new Evening LEDGER, sister publication of the Public Ledger, made its debut last evening and was cordially received. The same vast volume of news which is char-acteristic of the morning Ledger was ap-parent in the latest publication. We inparent in the latest publication. We in-spected closely both editions and each was marked by a host of fresh news stories. The success of the new journal is assured

How Warren Views Penrose From the Warren, Pa., Evening Times. The detent of Senator Penrose this fall would mean a rehabilitated and united Republicate party. It would be a party that could be pro-

its ability to overthrow the ignorance, period debauchery and uncleanness that in the sence are Penroseism. Railroads and Relief From the Chattaneoga Times, The railroads have been instructed to prepare tariffs for all services they now perform without charge, the commission in the meaning resuming consideration of the petition for advances. vancing rates, this time it is said more unde

standingly, if not more sympathetically, which affords a hope that they will provide a mill and complete measure of relief. NATIONAL POINT OF VIEW

When we read the statement, "Buenos Alv ha to have another subway," we are compelled to admit that there is a spirit of enterprise in the South American capital that we had in the South American capital that we had tondly thought of as peculiar to ourselves-New York Evening Post,

The war fills the newspapers, weeklies, and one magnitue has gone so far as to print 6 tirely a whole issue devoted to the war and it various aspects. When history is being ma-children are sager to know about it. children are eager to know about it. I'm schools must respond to the demand.—Bakimo

Unless the Republicans want to see Tam sweep New York by a far bigger margin that of the Democrats in Maine, they will not make a Democrats in Maine, they will not mate a Progressive Republican State the aded by Hinman.—New York Tribune.

lu Maine the diversion of even 17,000 votes from the Republican candidates was sufficient to elect the Democratic candidates, but as a positive factor in American politics the tree from the candidates and the control of the candidates and the candidates are control of the candidates and the candidates are candidates. (N. Y.) Jonesal (N. Y.) Journal.

In opening the sanitary conference in Salttorn, Commissioner Biggs said that the Stationary to the Stationary of Health has adopted as its moth "Public Health is Purchasable." There cools not be about the salth is indeed ot be a better one. Public health is, in

purchasable. Humanity still generally present to buy things of less importance, but some day we may be wiser.—New York World.